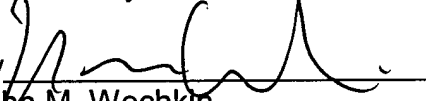


**REMARKS**

The Specification has been amended to provide serial numbers for referenced applications, thereby enhancing readability. Accordingly, no additional search or examination is required in this case. If the Examiner has any questions or believes a telephone conference would be helpful, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (206) 359-3257.

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